Dr. SHIRA SOFFER-VITAL

Curriculum Vitae

Education

2015	Postdoctoral Training: LINKS I-CORE program, Department of
	Education, Ben-Gurion University of The Negev.
2013	PhD. Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
	Education; Specializing in Curriculum Development, Learning &
	Instruction.
2004	M.A. Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Magna Cum Laude.
	Education, Specializing in Curriculum Development, Learning &
	Instruction.
2002	Secondary School Teaching Certificate in Arabic, Hebrew University
	of Jerusalem. With Distinction.
	Ministry of Education, Teacher Certification License.
2001	B.A. Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Magna Cum Laude.
	Education and Arabic Language & Literature (Double Major). Degree
	with Dean's honor list academic record.
	Participated in two Honors Programs for outstanding students, in both
	majors.

Extra-Academic Education

2014 Early Career Program for Academic Excellence for Outstanding Researchers: Selected to attend a highly

selective and prestigious training program for internationally top-quality and outstanding researchers in the Learning Sciences, University of Colorado, CO., USA (Organized by the ISLS, International Society of the Learning Sciences). One of sixteen awarded worldwide submissions; Selected as the only Israeli representative for this biannual program (June 2014).

- 2005-2007 Graduate admission requirements: Completion of additional graduate courses for admission to PhD program, The department of Psychology, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- 2007-2009 Specializing in Teaching Gifted and Talented K-12 Students, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- 2007-2008 Professional Development for Educational Leaders in Schools, PISGA Center (Center of Professional Development for Educators), Jerusalem: Professional qualification for senior leadership in schools.
- 2006-2007 Teaching and Learning Processes for Outstanding Students, Israeli Arts and Sciences Academy, Jerusalem.
- 2004-2005 School Assessment Coordinator: Learned managing assessment processes and procedures, The Center of Management in Education, Jerusalem College.

Academic Appointments

2017-present	Lecturer: Ono Academic College
2016-2017	Adjunct Lecturer: Ono Academic College
2016-2019	Adjunct Lecturer: Levinsky College of Education
2013-2015	Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the LINKS I-CORE program,
	Department of Education, Learning, Technology and Instruction, Ben-
	Gurion University of The Negev.
2013-2015	Academic Advisor, Science Teaching Department, Weizmann Institute
	of Science.
2008-2009	Research Assistant, Department of Education, Hebrew University of
	Jerusalem.
2005-2007	Senior Research Associate and Associate Director, Rothberg International
	School, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
2003	Research Assistant, Department of Education, Hebrew University of
	Jerusalem.
2003-present	Adjunct Lecturer, Rothberg International School, Hebrew University of
	Jerusalem
	Teaching evaluations: Lecturer with distinction; Received Excellent
	Lecturer status on students' evaluation, for 2004-2006.

Membership in Professional Associations and Professional Affiliation

European Association for Research on Learning and Instruction

(Earli); SIG (Special Interest Groups) membership:

Computer Supported Inquiry Learning

2012-2013 European Association for Research on Learning and

Instruction (Earli)

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Instruction (Earli)

The International Society of the Learning Sciences (ISLS)

Professional Experience

Pedagogical Advisor & Teacher of Arabic: Taught 7th-10th grade, including Matriculation exam preparation, high school, Modiin.
 Curriculum designer, pedagogical coordinator and teachers' instructor, Institute for Educational Empowerment.
 Teaching Assistant, Department of Education, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
 Exam Reviewer and Assessment Evaluator, The Center for Educational Technology (CET).

2004-2008 Teacher of Arabic & school Arabic department's head at the Israeli Arts and Sciences Academy (High School for outstanding and gifted students), Jerusalem: Taught 10th-12th grade, including 5 units Matriculation exam preparation.

2003-2007 Matriculation Exam Evaluator, Ministry of Education,

Jerusalem.

- 2002-2006 a) Teacher of Arabic & school Arabic department's head at the Evelina De Rothchild High School, Jerusalem:

 Taught 7th-12th grade, including 5 units Matriculation (Bagrut) exam preparation.
 - b) Coordinator for remediation students at "Keren Karev".
 - c) Pedagogical Director, Measurement and Evaluation Coordinator and management member (2004-2006).
- 2001-2002 Taught Arabic and Mathematics at The Gimnasia High School,

 Jerusalem: Taught 7th-10th grade Arabic; Taught the 7th grade

 Mathematics.

2000 Media Commentator, The Communication Unit, , Jerusalem.

1998-1999 Museum Docent (Scientific Guide), Bloomfield Science

Museum, Jerusalem, after completing the Museum certification

course.

Languages

Hebrew – native language

English – fluent level (speaking, reading, writing)

Arabic: Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) - fluent level (speaking, reading,

writing); spoken regional vernaculars – intermediate.